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ITALIAN COMMUNIST DAILY REPORTS PRESS CONFERENCE OF FOUR
ALLEGED FORMER WESTERN INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES

The 3 June 1959 issue of the official Italian Communist Party daily L'Unità of Rome reported that four former Western agents of British, French, and US espionage and sabotage networks with headquarters in West Berlin have held a press conference in which they revealed the workings of these networks against the German Democratic Republic. The article was signed Orfeo Vangelista and bore a Berlin, 2 June dateline.

The four alleged agents named were Erwin Zeske, Willi Scheibe, Ernst Schwarzer, and Helmann. Among the organizations for which they asserted they had served for years were the CIA, CIC, KIS, and OSI, as well as British and French services.

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